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The story so far...

A mysterious Executive Assistant sent a direct message to the Cordova drug cartel—marked in their own lives and blood—to warn them of their impending demise. However, the enemy from within proves far more deadly for the family as Orchid finally turned on her employer—by separating Umberto's head from his torso. Yet, even the threat of betrayal against the powerful and vindictive Ramos Cordova pales in comparison to the unexpected arrival of Executive Assistant Iris. The Hit List Agenda continues.



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"EVEN 'USED'--
SHE COST ME A
FORTUNE.

"WELL INTO
THE HIGH SIX
FIGURES.

"THE MAN
I PURCHASED
HER FROM-- A MR.
FENG-- BILLED HER
AS AN 'EXECUTIVE
ASSISTANT'.

"MORE THAN SIMPLY
AN ASSASSIN WITHOUT
PEER, SHE WAS IN MANY
WAYS THE PERFECT
WOMAN.

"SHE COULD COOK,
CLEAN, BALANCE THE
BOOKS AND KEEP THE
SHEETS HOT ALL
NIGHT LONG.


"WHEN SHE
TURNED THIRTY,
FENG HELD
SOMETHING OF
A FIRE SALE.

"HE ALLUDED
TO AN INCIDENT
IN HER PAST.
SOMETHING THAT
MADE HER LESS
VALUABLE.

"IF SHE
HAD A FLAW, I
HONESTLY NEVER
KNEW WHAT
IT WAS.

"TRUST ME WHEN I
SAY THAT AS TRAINED
KILLERS GO..."





"...ORCHID IS
WORTH EVERY
PENNY."

"IF THAT IS SO,
MR. CORDOVA--"

"--I HAVE
TO ASK: WHY
DID YOU GIVE
HER TO YOUR
SON?"

"I DIDN'T
'GIVE' HER TO
ANYONE."

"I'VE ONLY
TEMPORARILY
REASSIGNED
HER FOR NOW."

"MY SON
NEEDS CONSTANT
SUPERVISION."

"THAT'S WHY I SENT
HIM ALONG WITH HER
ON HER ASSIGNMENT IN
AMERICA. FOR SOME
MUCH NEEDED
SEASONING."

"HE NEEDS TO
UNDERSTAND FIRST-
HAND WHAT RUNNING
THE AFFAIRS OF THE
FAMILY BUSINESS
ENTAILS."


"UMBERTO WON'T GET
A BETTER EDUCATION
THAN WHAT ORCHID
TEACHES HIM."

"AND I CAN REST
ASSURED HE'LL BE
PROTECTED. THAT
NO MATTER WHAT
HAPPENS-- *SHE*
CAN TAKE CARE
OF THINGS."




"THAT'S THE
THING ABOUT
ORCHID.

"I DON'T THINK
SHE EVEN KNOWS
HOW TO FAIL.




"ONCE SHE
SETS HER MIND TO
SOMETHING...

"...THERE IS NO
STOPPING HER.



"YOU SAW THE
DIGITAL PHOTO
UMBERTO SENT.

"NO DOUBT SHE SET
THE EXPLOSIONS TO
CRIPPLE THE PIPELINES
BEFORE SHE ARRIVED
AT THE BOARDROOM.



"KNOWING
HER LIKE I
DO--

"--I'M SURE SHE
AND MY SON ARE IN
FIRST CLASS, WINGING
THEIR WAY ACROSS
THE BORDER RIGHT
NOW."



IRIS.

I HAD HEARD
YOU WERE
DEAD.

AND I
WAS LEAD TO
BELIEVE YOU WERE THE
PERFECT EXECUTIVE
ASSISTANT.

APPARENTLY
WE WERE **BOTH**
WRONG.



THIS
DOESN'T
CONCERN
YOU, IRIS.

THIS
ISN'T YOUR
FIGHT.

I'LL
ADMIT I'M
CURIOUS.

WHY YOU ARE
PLAYING BOTH
SIDES AGAINST
EACH OTHER:

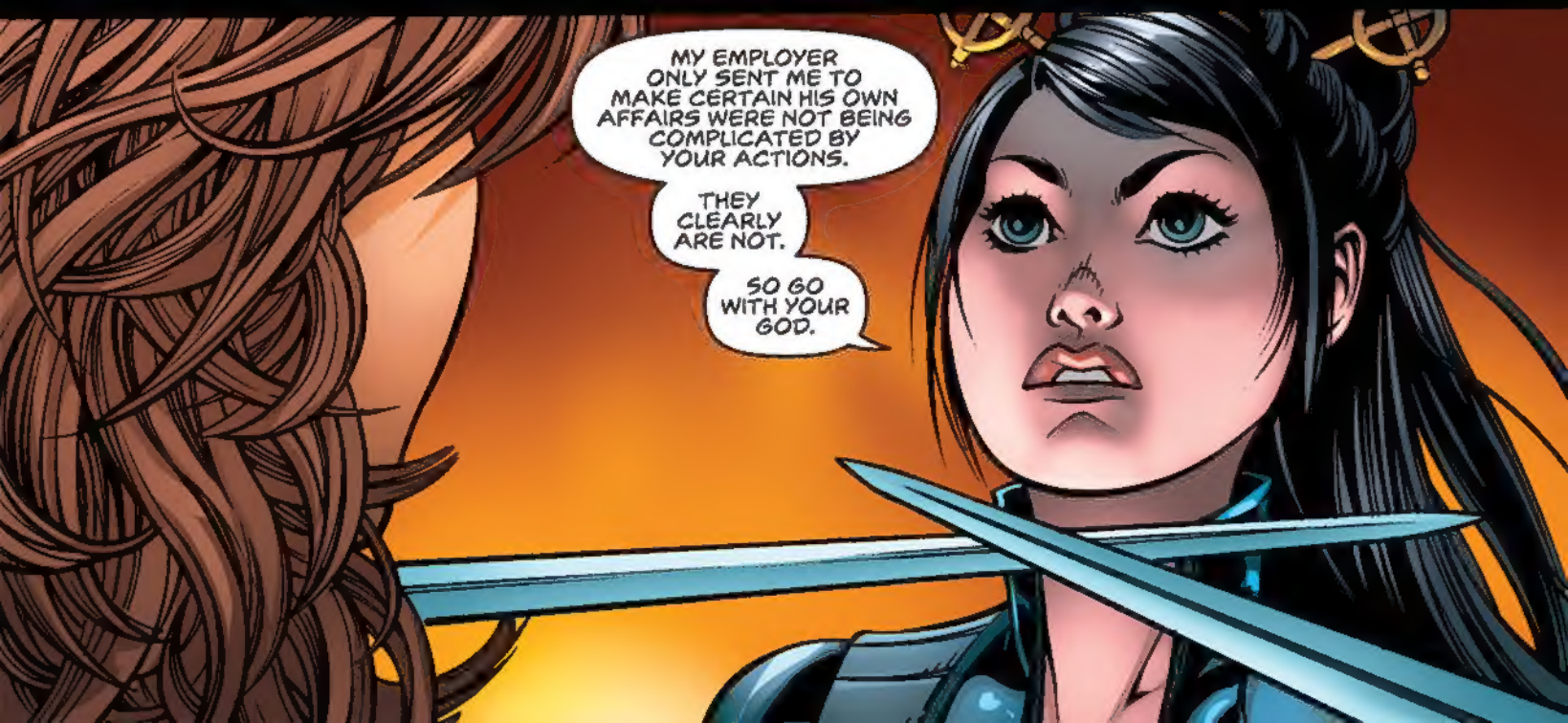
ELIMINATING
BOTH FACTIONS--
CREATING ANOTHER
IDENTITY FOR YOURSELF
IN ORDER TO
DO SO.



I SAID
GO!

BUT...

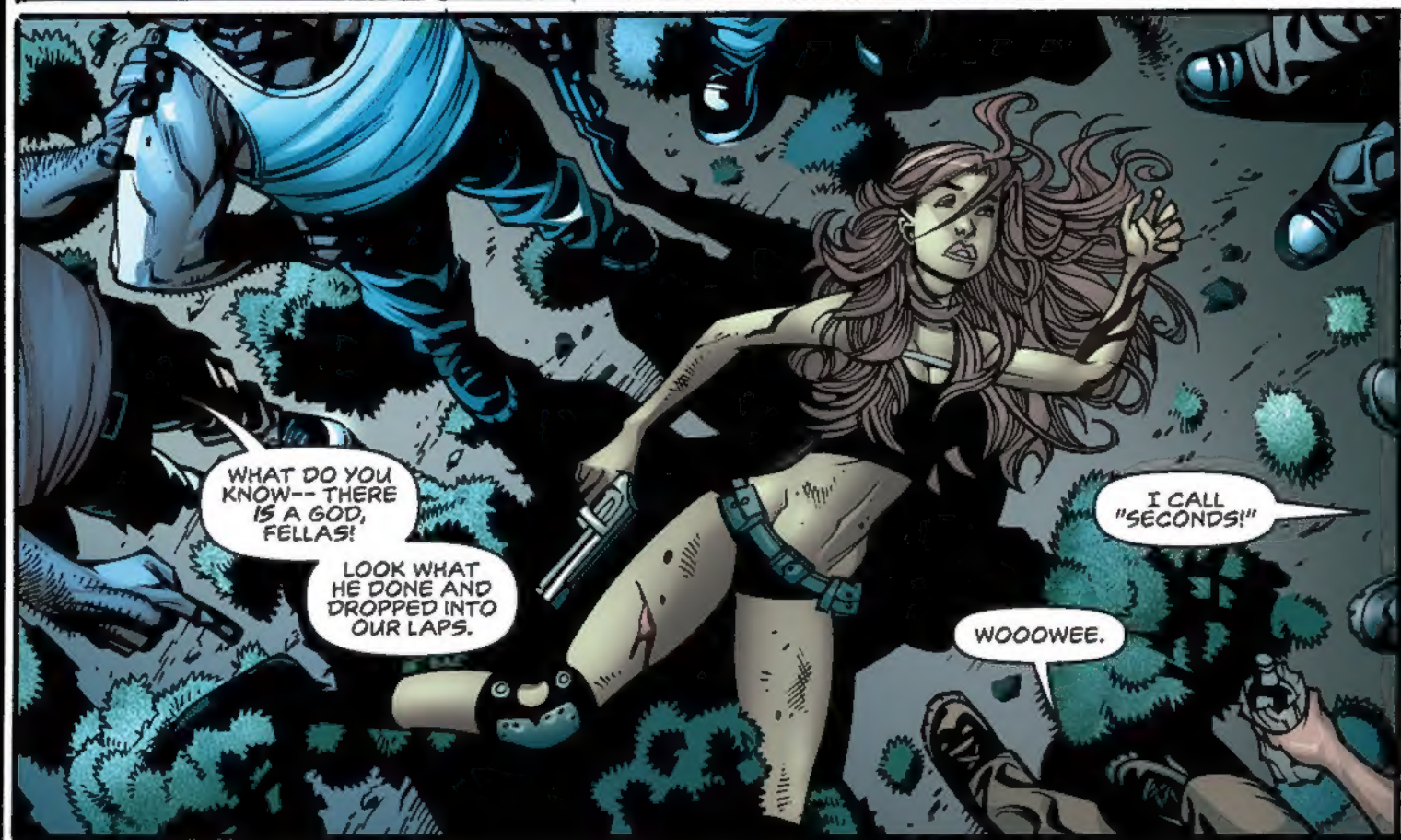
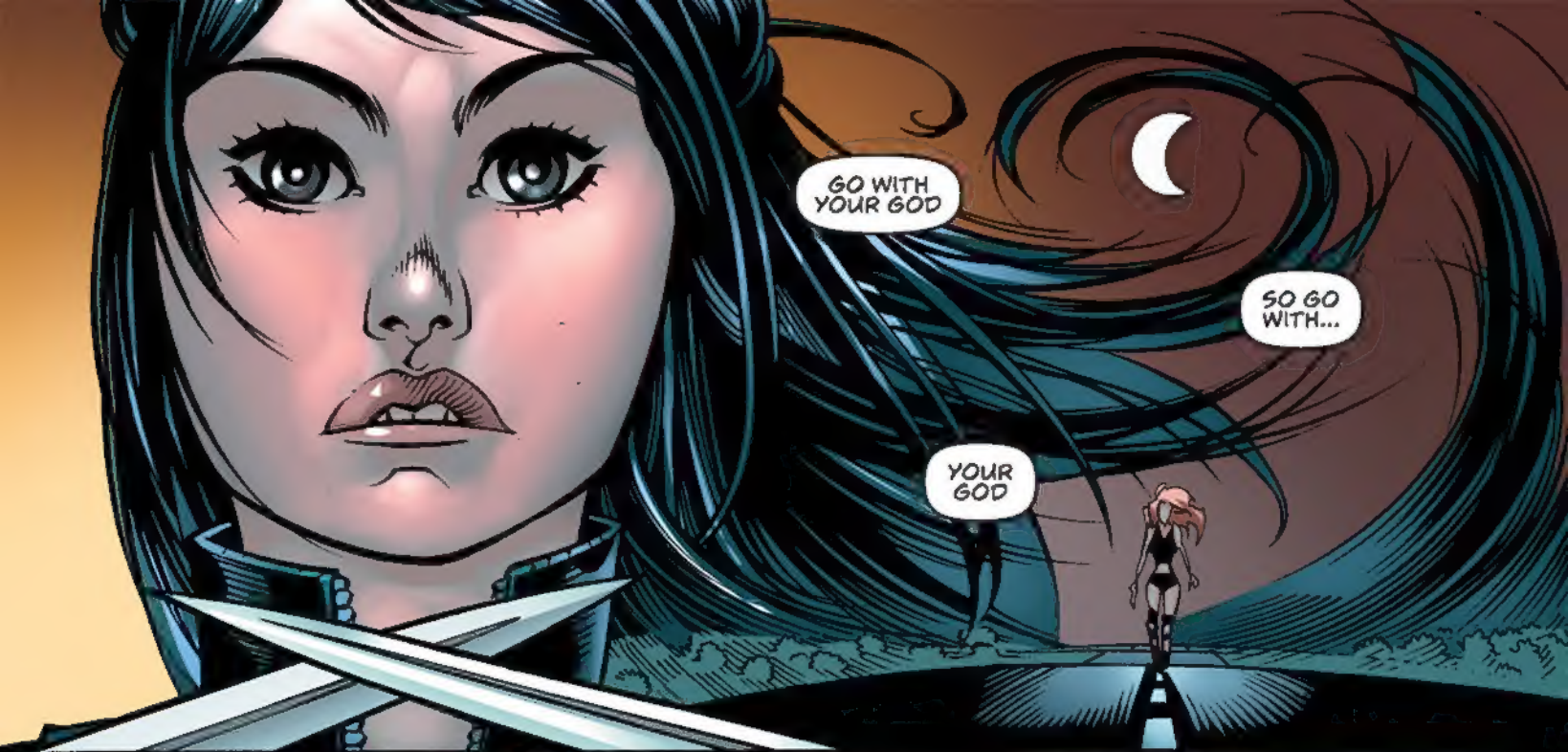
...YOU ARE
CORRECT IN YOUR
ASSERTION.



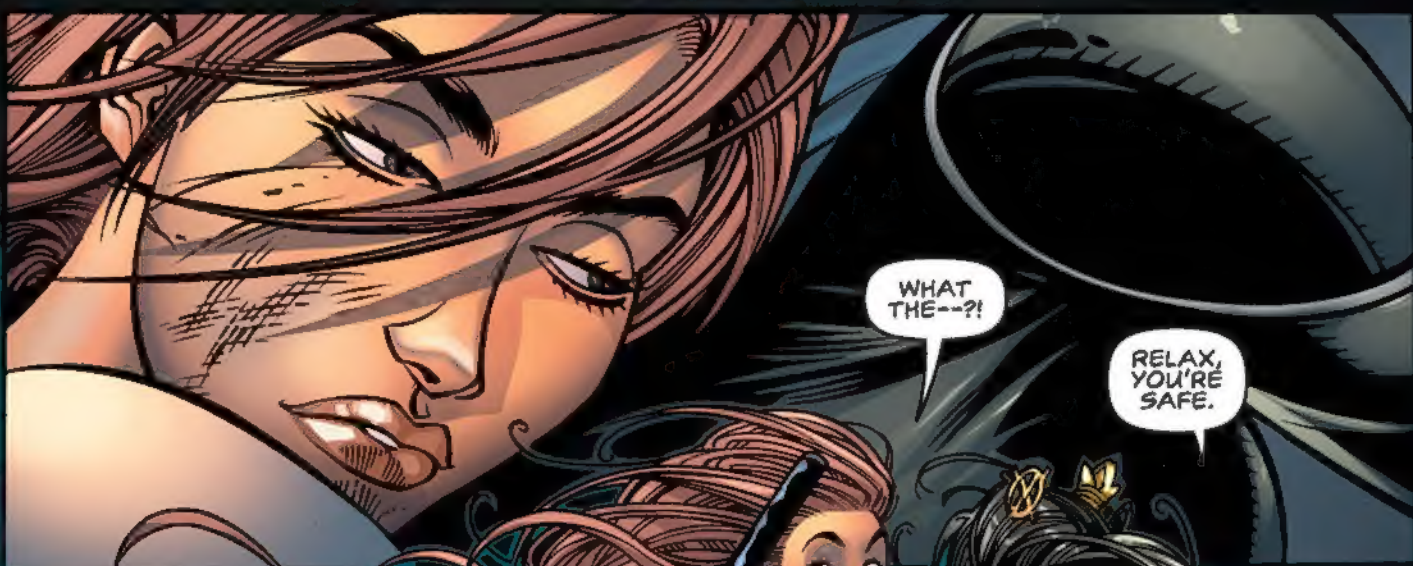
MY EMPLOYER
ONLY SENT ME TO
MAKE CERTAIN HIS OWN
AFFAIRS WERE NOT BEING
COMPLICATED BY
YOUR ACTIONS.

THEY
CLEARLY
ARE NOT.

SO GO
WITH YOUR
GOD.







WHAT
THE--?!

RELAX,
YOU'RE
SAFE.



THOSE
MEN?

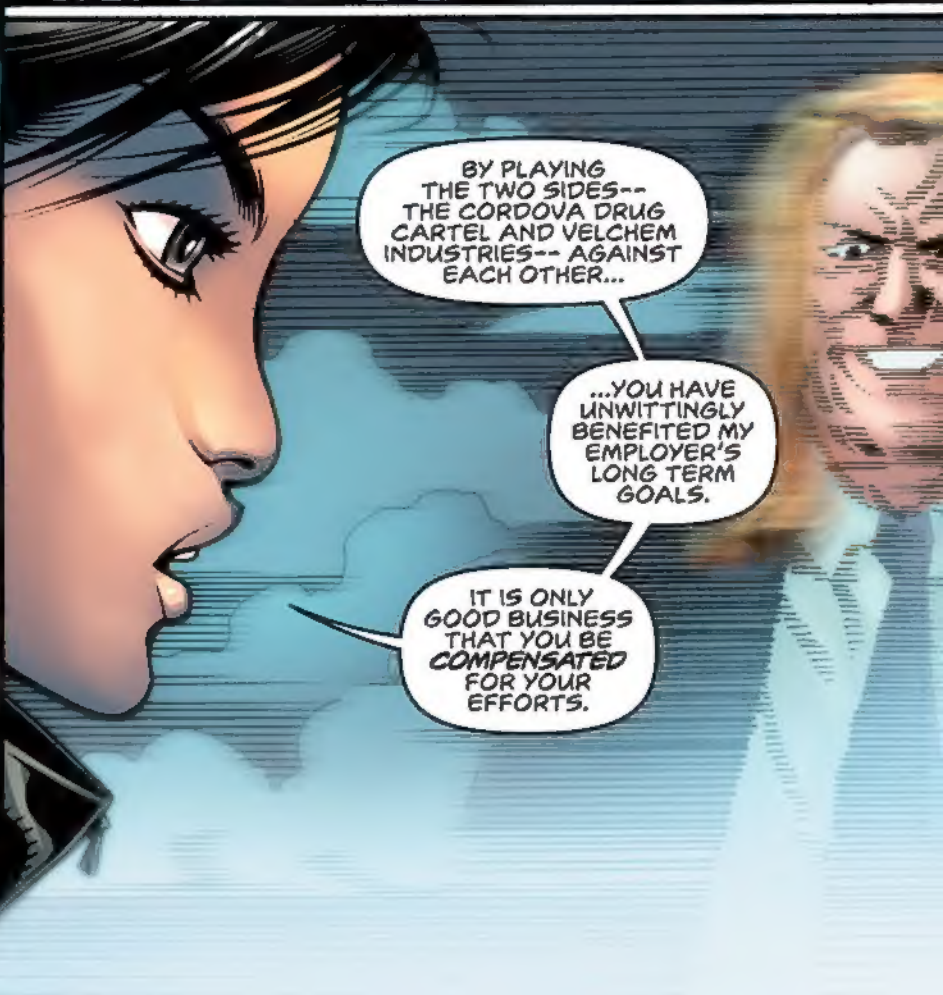
NO LONGER A
CONCERN.

TO YOU
OR ANYONE
ELSE.



YOU
FOLLOWED
ME.

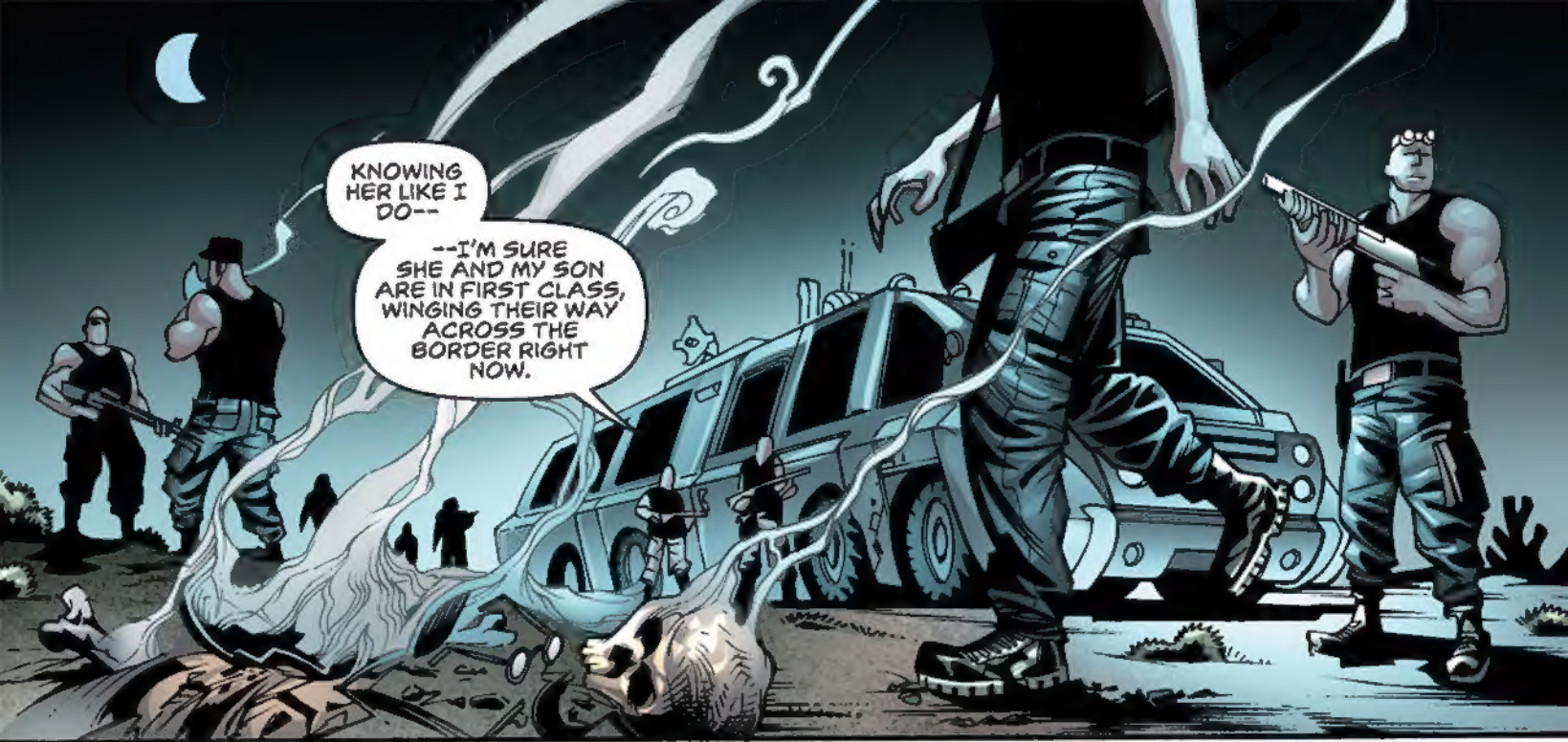
YOU'RE
HELPING ME.
WHY?



BY PLAYING
THE TWO SIDES--
THE CORDOVA DRUG
CARTEL AND VELCHEM
INDUSTRIES-- AGAINST
EACH OTHER...

...YOU HAVE
UNWITTINGLY
BENEFITED MY
EMPLOYER'S
LONG TERM
GOALS.

IT IS ONLY
GOOD BUSINESS
THAT YOU BE
COMPENSATED
FOR YOUR
EFFORTS.



KNOWING
HER LIKE I
DO--

--I'M SURE
SHE AND MY SON
ARE IN FIRST CLASS,
WINGING THEIR WAY
ACROSS THE
BORDER RIGHT
NOW.



BREAKING NEWS:
THE TOP STORY OUT OF
TEXAS IS THE DESTRUCTION
OF SEVERAL MILES OF
PIPELINE BELONGING TO
VELCHEM INDUSTRIES.

WHILE THERE IS
NO WORD AS TO WHETHER
OR NOT THE EXPLOSION WAS
CAUSED BY TERRORISTS--
ECO, FOREIGN OR DOMESTIC--
IT IS CLEAR THE DAMAGES
WILL RUN INTO THE
BILLIONS.

OH MY. I
WONDER HOW THAT
HAPPENED.

HEH
HEH...

HEH HEH,
INDEED.



FINALLY, MY SON
HAS ACCOMPLISHED
SOMETHING WITHOUT
SCREWING IT UP.

CERTAINLY
A CAUSE FOR
CELEBRATION.

YOU
MUST
BE VERY
PROUD.



CHIME

MR. CORDOVA, SIR?



ORCHID??

WHERE'S UMBERTO?



GET HER INSIDE-- TO THE DOCTOR-- QUICKLY!

SPREAD OUT AND FIND MY SON!

B-BUT
YOU DON'T
UNDERSTAND,
S-SIR.

BASED ON
HER INJURIES,
REVIVING HER AT
THIS POINT COULD
KILL HER.

DO
IT...



CL-
CLICK

...NOW!

!!!EEAY!!





MY SON,
ORCHID--
TELL ME!

WHERE IS
UMBERTO?
WHAT HAPPENED
TO HIM-- IS HE
ALRIGHT?!!

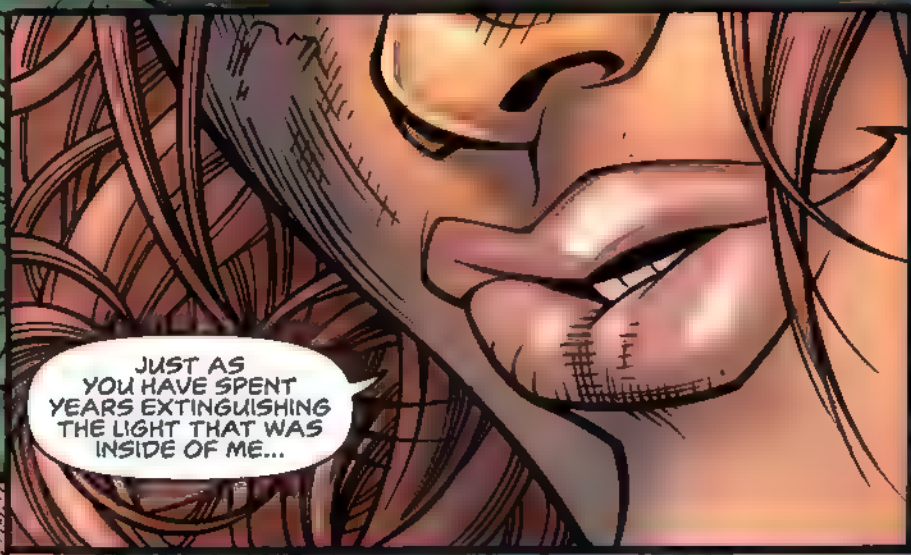
IS HE OUT
THERE IN THE
DARK?

NO.

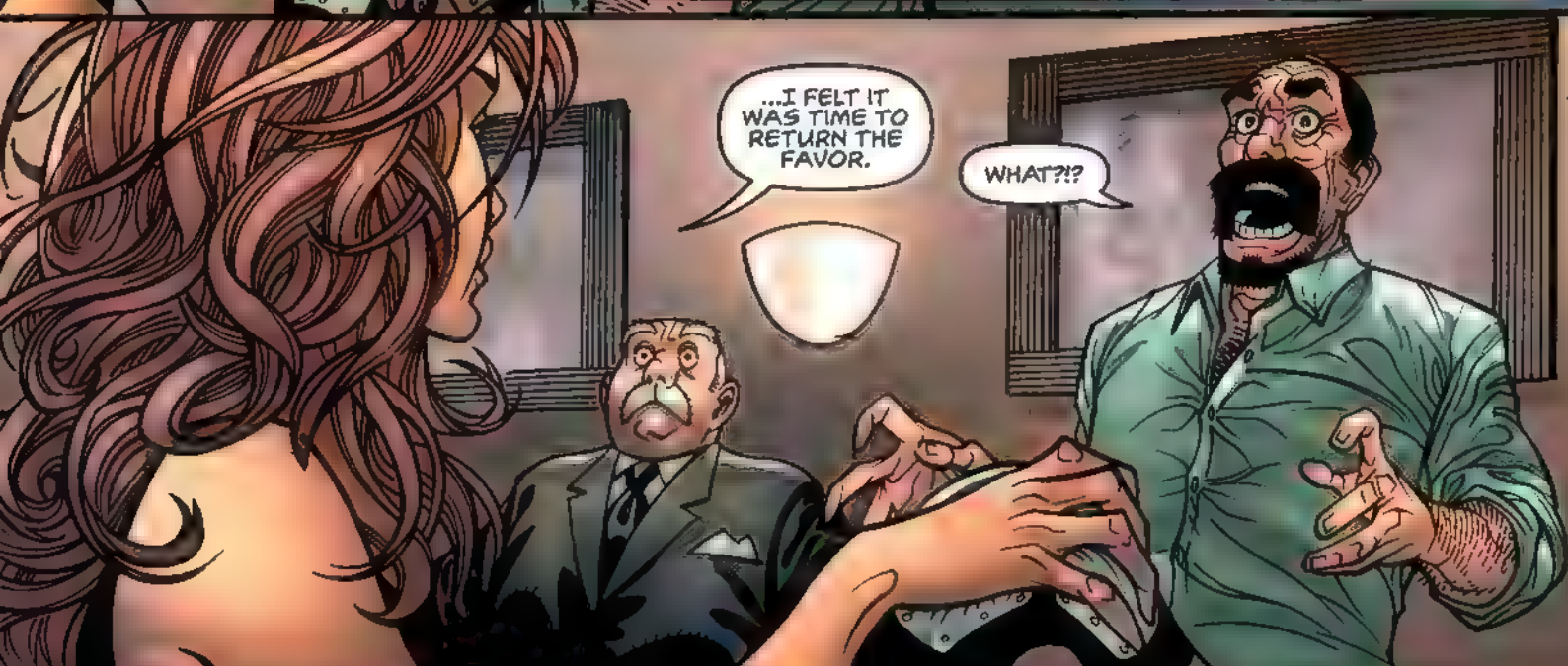


HE'S DEAD ON
THE BOARDROOM
FLOOR IN TEXAS.

WHERE
I KILLED
HIM.



JUST AS
YOU HAVE SPENT
YEARS EXTINGUISHING
THE LIGHT THAT WAS
INSIDE OF ME...



...I FELT IT
WAS TIME TO
RETURN THE
FAVOR.

WHAT?!!



YOU...
WORTHLESS...

...UNGRATEFUL...



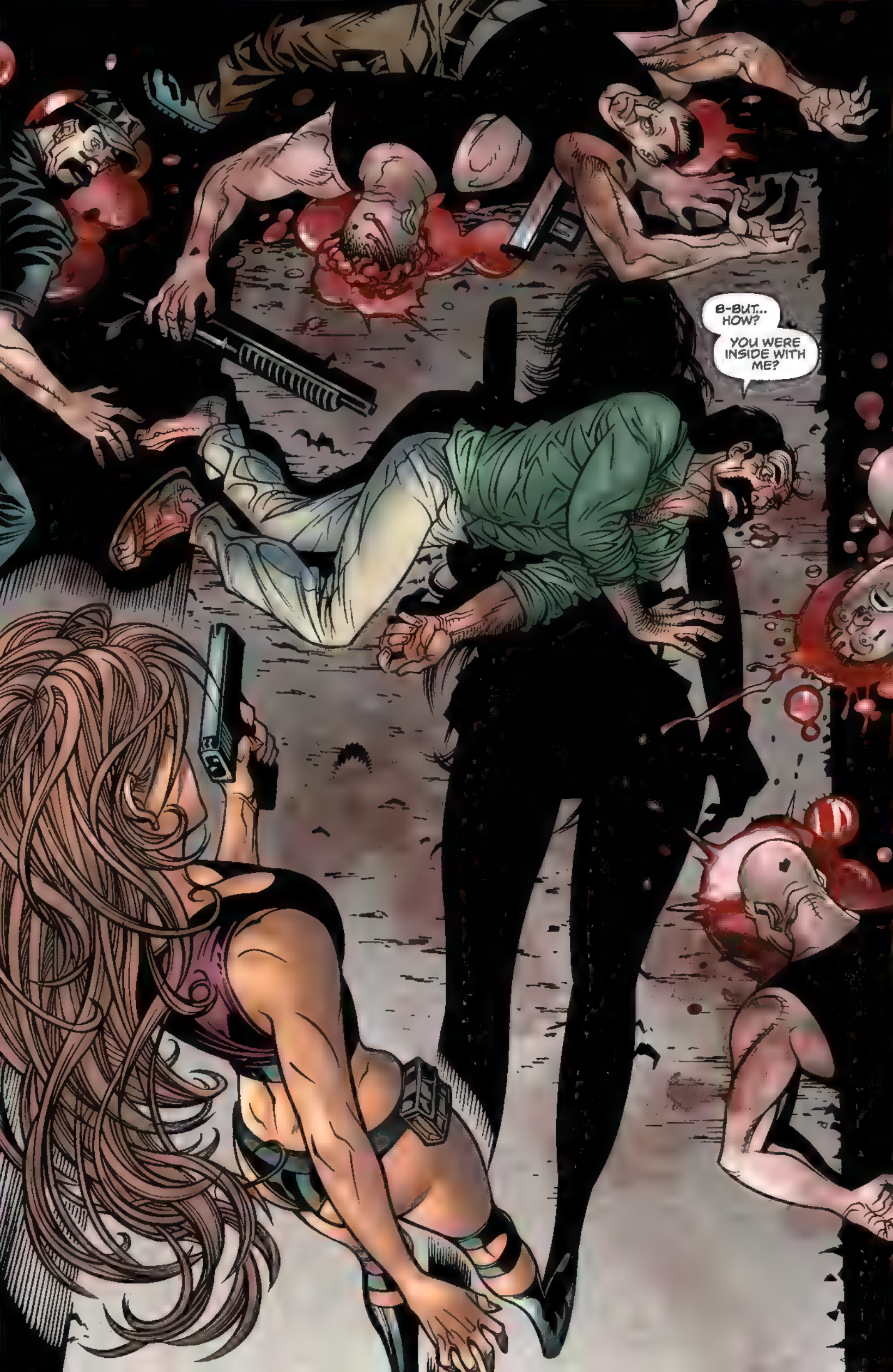
BLAM
BLAM

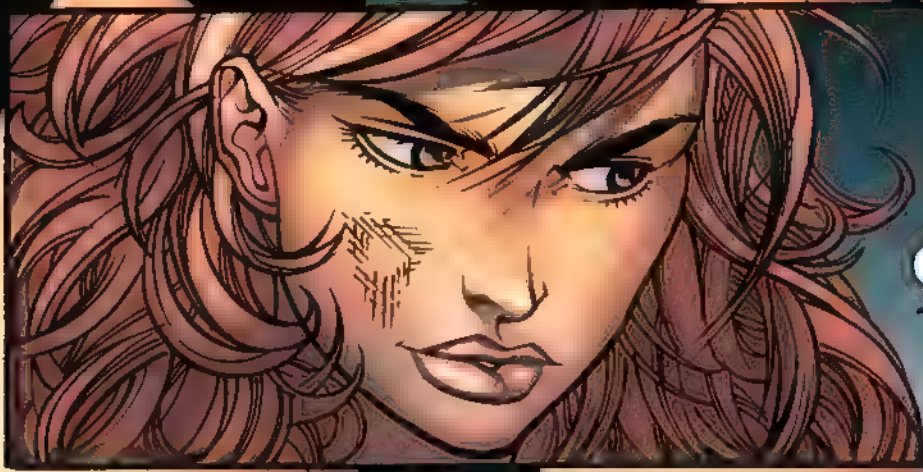
GRATEFUL?

WHAT,
EXACTLY,
DO YOU THINK
I SHOULD BE
GRATEFUL
FOR?

SHUULLP!!







~AHEM!~



WHO?

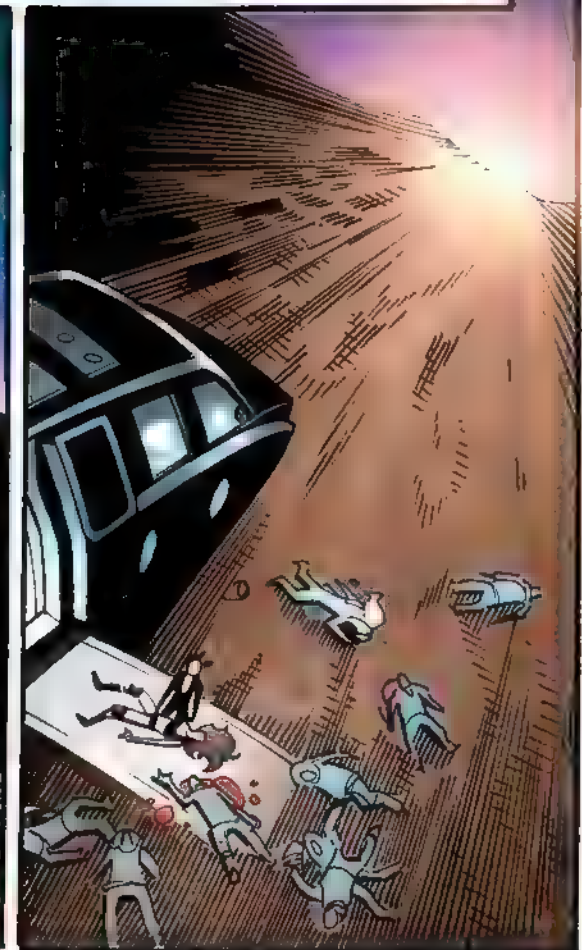
P-PLEASE...
YOU ARE BOTH
AWARE OF MY
WEALTH.

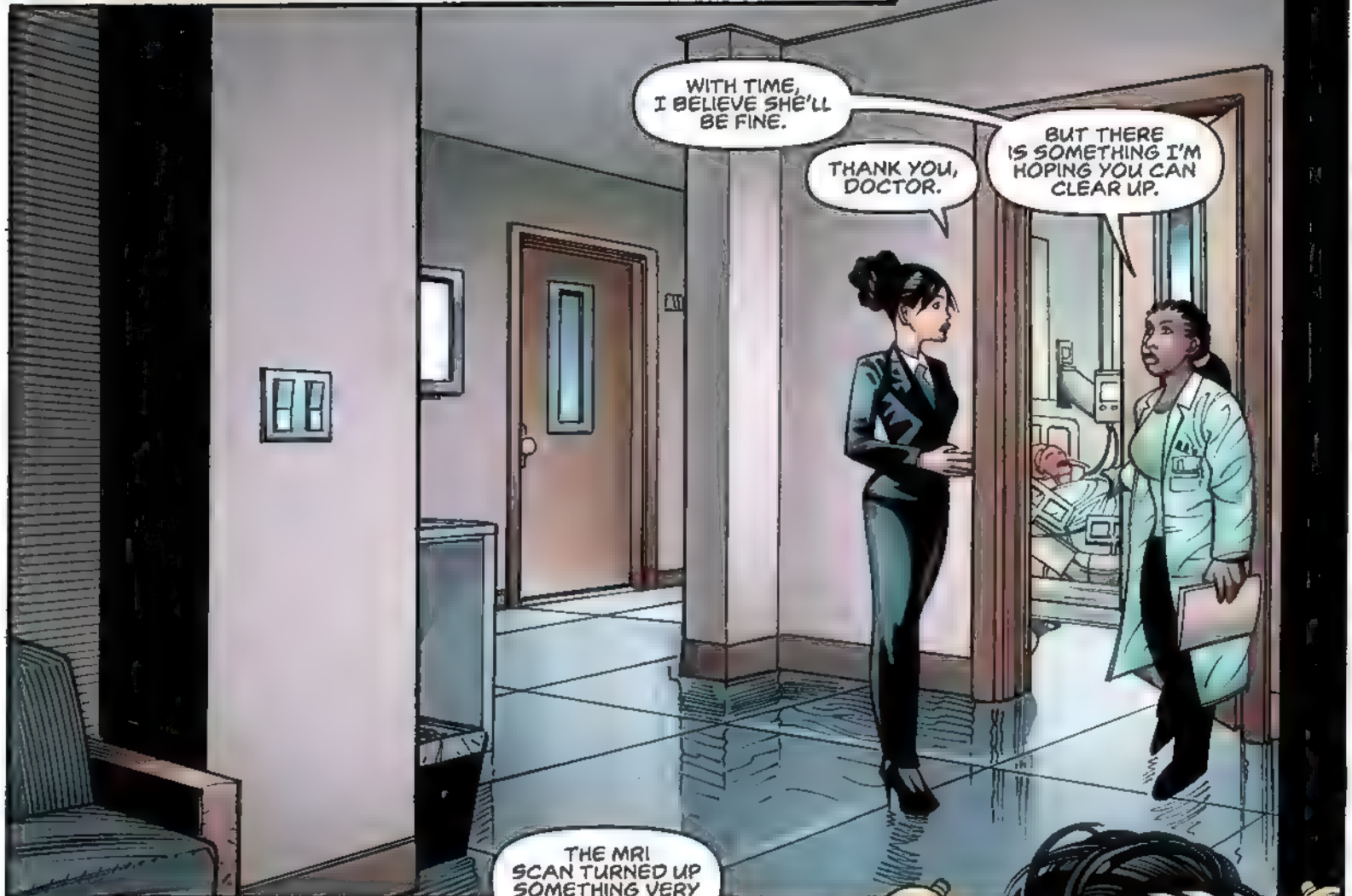
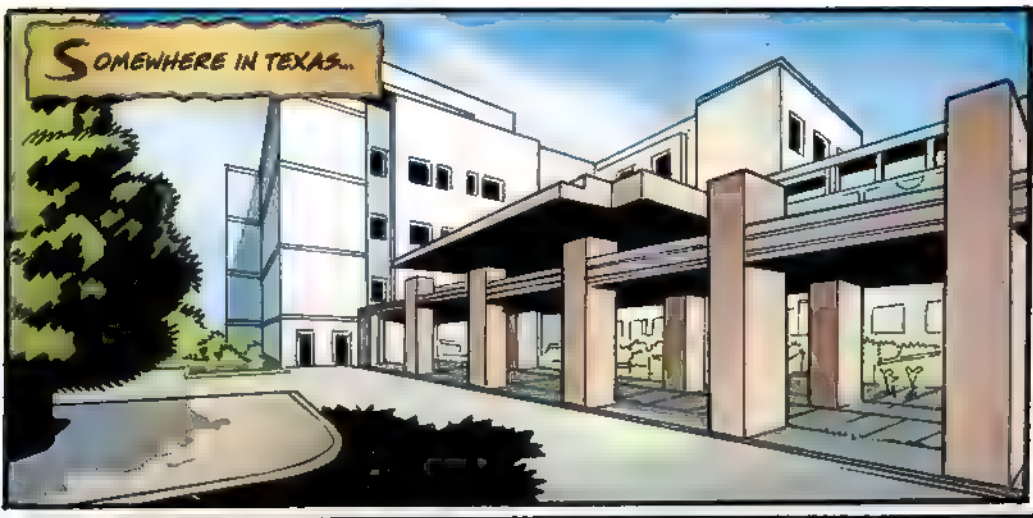
I CAN
MAKE YOU
VERY RICH WOMEN.
YOU CAN HAVE
ANYTHING YOU
WANT.

TELL
ME.

WHAT CAN
I DO TO MAKE
YOU HAPPY?

ANYTHING...
ANYTHING
AT ALL.

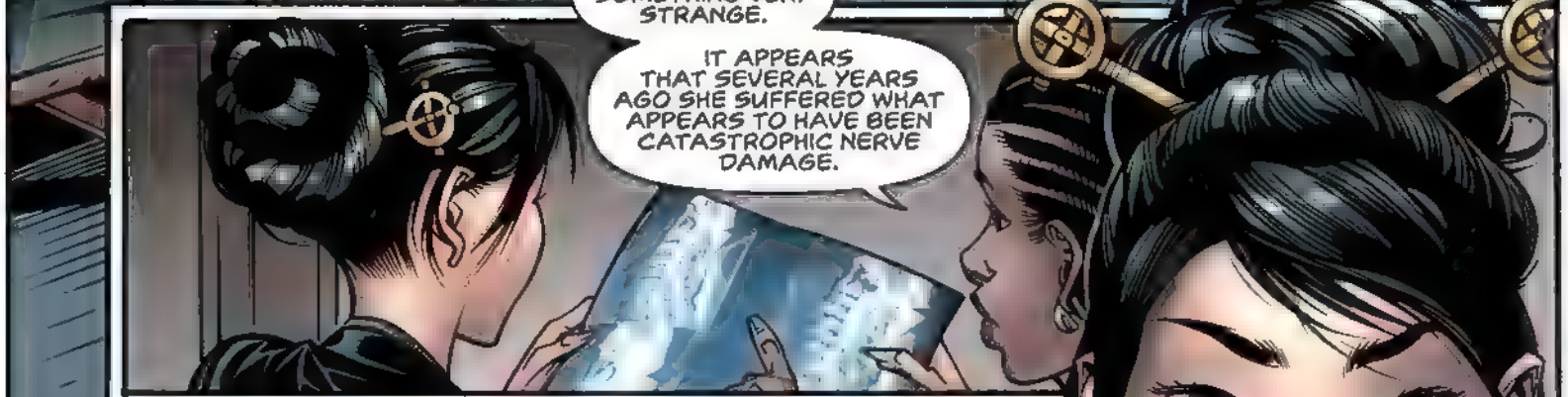




WITH TIME,
I BELIEVE SHE'LL
BE FINE.

THANK YOU,
DOCTOR.

BUT THERE
IS SOMETHING I'M
HOPING YOU CAN
CLEAR UP.



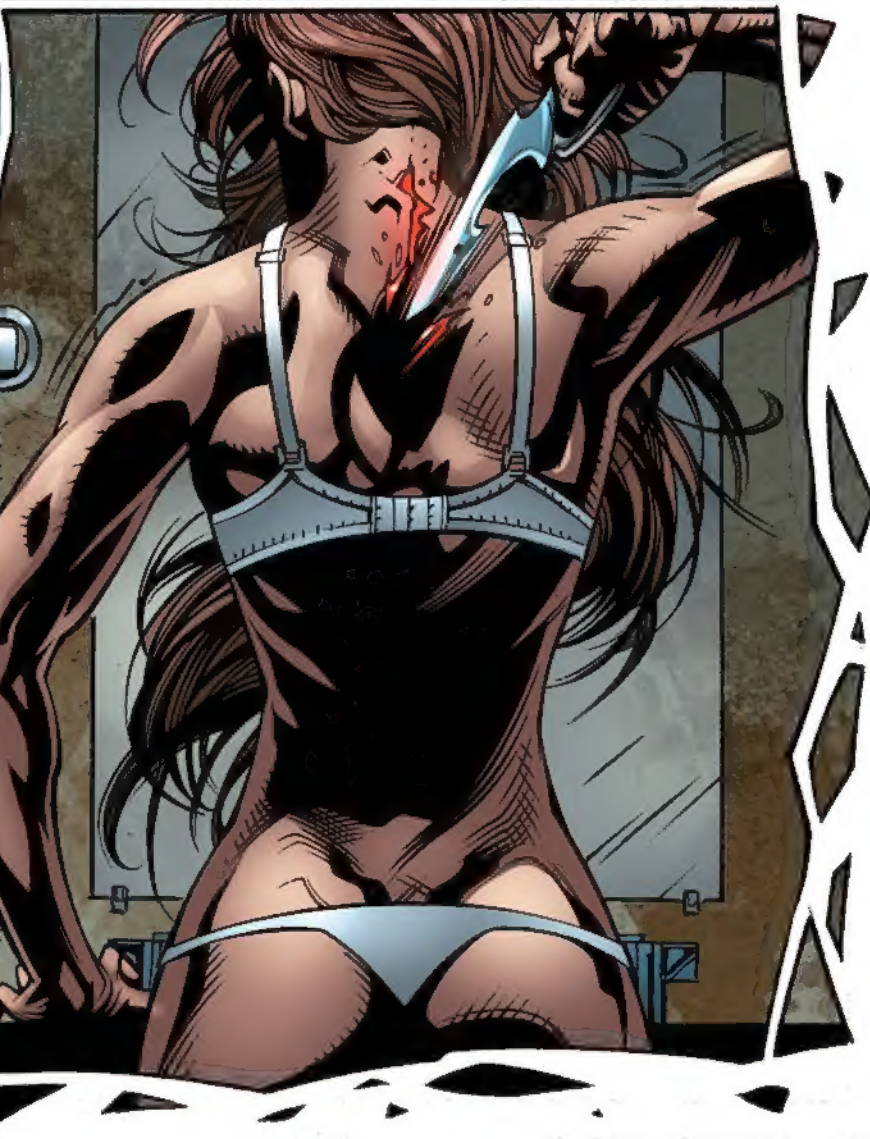
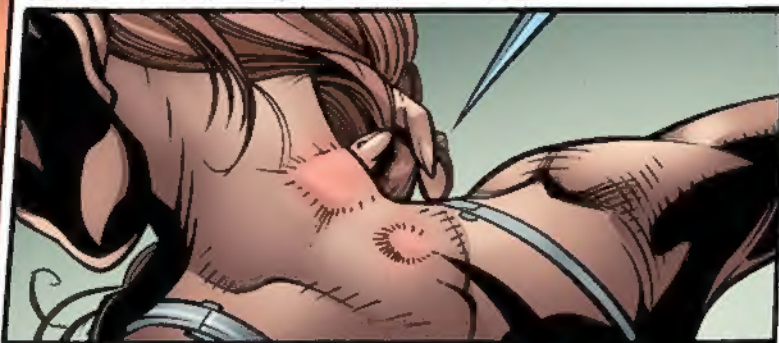
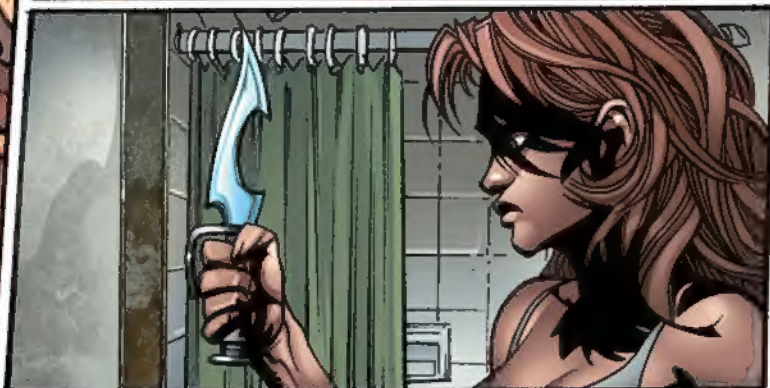
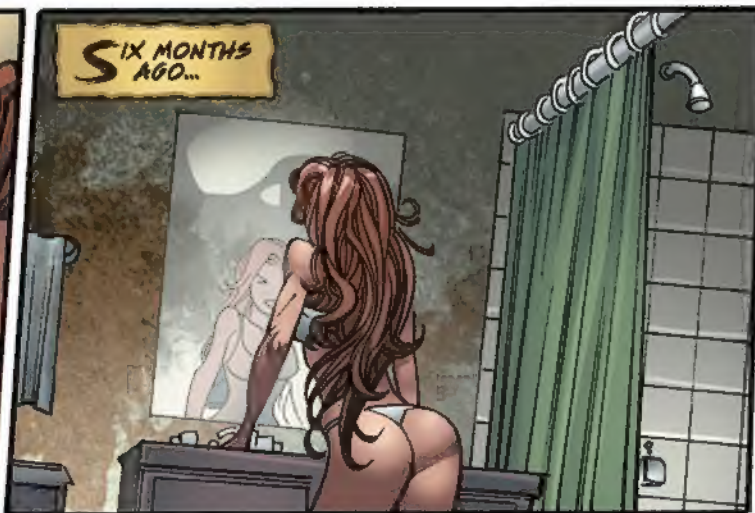
THE MRI
SCAN TURNED UP
SOMETHING VERY
STRANGE.

IT APPEARS
THAT SEVERAL YEARS
AGO SHE SUFFERED WHAT
APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN
CATASTROPHIC NERVE
DAMAGE.



FRANKLY, I'M
SURPRISED SHE
SURVIVED THE
EXPERIENCE.

DO YOU HAVE
ANY IDEA WHAT
HAPPENED TO
YOUR FRIEND?



11B

YES.
PERHAPS...



MC
R51
DC1

TO BE CONTINUED!?!
EXECUTIVE
ASSISTANT: IRIS #4
THE FUTURE AGENDA

Aspen's Executive Assistant
Event Continues!

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT IRIS

#4

THE STAKES JUST GOT RAISED!

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The Hit List Agenda Checklist

PRELUDE

☒ EA: IRIS #0

PART ONE

☒ EA: IRIS #1

☒ EA: ORCHID #1

☒ EA: LOTUS #1

☒ EA: VIOLET #1

PART TWO

☒ EA: IRIS #2

☒ EA: ORCHID #2

☒ EA: LOTUS #2

☒ EA: VIOLET #2

PART THREE

☒ EA: IRIS #3

☒ EA: ORCHID #3

☐ EA: LOTUS #3

☐ EA: VIOLET #3

PART FOUR

☐ EA: IRIS #4

PART FIVE

☐ EA: IRIS #5



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